

MINUTES  
Housing Authority of the Town of Darien  
November 3, 2008

A Special Meeting of the Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Town of Darien was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, November 3, 2008 in the Auditorium of the Darien Town Hall.

Present were: Commissioners Jennifer Schwartz, Cynthia Ashburne, Jan Raymond, Kass Bruno, (Absent – Joe Warren); Executive Director, Kathryn Molgano. Invited speakers included Architect Bill Crosskey, Drainage Engineer Ozzie Torres of Torres Engineering, Inc., Gary Hath of CR3, and Henry Ditman of Barking & Mess. Also present were co-developer Arthur Anderson, Attorney Bruce Hill.

This special meeting was called to present the proposed site plans and revisions for AON Redevelopment, as submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission on October 17, 2008, to residents, neighbors and the general public. Jennifer Schwartz presented an overview of the redevelopment efforts to date, the mission of the DHA and its vision for the redevelopment of the AON site, and discussed the process through which the DHA has gathered input from residents and neighbors. Ms. Schwartz introduced the invited speakers.

Architect Bill Crosskey presented revised site plans, indicating the following changes that have been incorporated subsequent to DHA's July meeting: site plan calls for a total of 116 units; 24 townhouse units have been incorporated into the site plan; 4 bedroom units will now all be at ground level. Drainage Engineer Ozzie Torres discussed the specifications and capacity of the proposed water retention system; Gary Hath discussed landscaping, lighting and buffering of the proposed redevelopment site; Henry Ditman presented the results of the traffic study that was conducted, reporting minimal impact to existing traffic patterns.

Questions, comments and concerns were received from 12 neighboring residents, 2 Allen-O'Neill residents and from Kim McLaughlin of the CT Housing Coalition.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Y. Molgano  
Executive Director

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